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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

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FROM : Deputy Chief, FDD

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - September 1950

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1. External screening operations discovered a number of Bulgarian publications of special interest in the [redacted] the Library of Congress. Arrangements have been made for their loan to FDD for exploitation purposes.

2. Requirements of FDD for foreign language publications were presented to Mr. Harry R. Stritman, StateDepartment Publications Procurement Officer, Rome, and a representative of 7880 Military Intelligence Detachment EUCOM, in briefings during the month.

3. The flow of publications from non-routine sources is continuing in increasing volume. This material is largely in Slavic languages and covers titles not otherwise available.

4. The coverage of the Communist China press has been enlarged. FDD is now receiving titles from [redacted] Communist Chinese cities.

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2. Among items received through special sources during the month were issues of three titles of [] cut off by the Soviet government early this year and 146 issues of nine newspapers and one periodical from the Baltic Republics and the Bello-Russian Ukrainian Republics []

3. Five new provincial Russian newspapers were received through the State Department. These were from the cities of Gomel, Minsk, Pskov Kazam and Sverdlovsk.

4. On 16 August an extensive and detailed requirement consisting of 13 typewritten pages which was coordinated with offices of the agency was submitted to the New Publication Procurement Officer going to Moscow.

5. During the month 1,329 issues of foreign language newspapers were transferred to the Library of Congress via the CIA Library.

6. It is proposed ~~that~~ in the near future to send a representative of FDD on a tour of the Near East to determine the current status of vernacular publications in that area.

7. During the month of August a survey was undertaken with the various offices of the agency to determine as accurately as possible the actual extent of translation requirements both of a classified and unclassified nature. Returns from all offices in response to this survey have not yet been received.

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